

House	COMMUNICATION INFORMATION CENTER <i>DAILY BRIEFING</i> Thursday, March 16, 2000 8:25 AM	Message of the Day	3.6 - amount, in trillions of dollars, of public debt GOP pays off in Republican budget.
Republican		The Republican budget protects Social Security, reforms Medicare, retires the public debt and provides tax relief.	
Conference			

Events	TODAY – 3/16	Tomorrow – 3/17	Coming up ...	Yesterday's Events	Lead Stories
House GOP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: private property rights; * Watts, others to speak at truckers' rally on gas prices; * Watts, Armey, Kasich, Archer news conference on GOP budget, seniors; * DeLay to speak on China, Taiwan at CSIS event; * Armey, others to honor Dallas Stars; * Lewis of Calif. subcommittee on ballistic missile defense. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Buyer subcommittee on all volunteer force in military; * Bereuter to participate in Heritage roundtable on Asia; * Johnson of Conn. to address PHSA conference. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 3/20 Watts to meet with Microsoft officials in Seattle on cybersecurity; * 3/20 Thomas to address ASCP health care conference; * 3/21 Istook subcommittee on D.C., charter schools; * 3/21 Walsh subcommittee on consumer agencies; * 3/22 Lewis of Calif. subcommittee on defense budget; * 4/3 Watts to lead delegation on high-tech tour of N.Va. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: AIR 21 passed (319 to 101), small business reauthorization passed (410 to 11), guns conference passed (218 to 206); * Kasich markup of budget; * Watts, DeLay, Pombo, Cubin news conference on Clinton-Gore gas crisis; * Hastert, Cox news conference on Russia, policy review team; * Hyde news conference on crime; * Gilman markup of oil crisis, hearing on foreign aid budget. 	ABC World News (Wed.) 1. NRA escalates attacks on Clinton 2. Nasdaq has losses for 3 rd day 3. Congress makes political issue of oil prices NBC Nightly News (Wed.) 1. Clinton, Pataki step up gun control 2. Net makes identity theft easier 3. False reports of abuse occur CBS Evening News (Wed.) 1. Gun control battle escalates 2. Bush launches attack on Gore on campaign finance 3. Drug makers donate to Congress Fox Special Report (Wed.) 1. Bush, Gore clinch party nominations 2. Gore campaigns on experience 3. Bush seeks other voting constituencies Washington Post (Thurs.) 1. GIs raid militias in Kosovo 2. China threatens voters in Taiwan 3. GOP avoids vote on Gore tax cut Washington Times (Thurs.) 1. China's military links forces to boost power 2. House panel targets oil producers in bill 3. Sharpton to go to jail New York Times (Thurs.) 1. Bush rebuffs bid to embrace McCain views 2. N.Y. to crackdown on home loan fees 3. U.S. troops seize weapons from Albanians Los Angeles Times (Thurs.) 1. House GOP skittish on Bush's plan for tax cut 2. Online auction scams prompt crackdowns 3. War of words erupts in L.A. police probe
Senate GOP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * State work period; * Campbell hearing on injury, risk management. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * State work period. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 3/20 Fitzgerald subcommittee on commodity futures trading commission; * 3/21 McCain hearing on FCC nominations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * State work period; * Specter, Stump joint hearing on veterans organizations proposals. 	
Govs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Bush of Texas to attend forum on education in Springfield, Ill. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 3/24 Schafer to host governor's prayer breakfast in Bismarck, N.D. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Sunquist celebrated 64th birthday at party in Nashville. 	
President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * To join Hastert at Saint Patrick's Day celebration, honor NHL champs, speak at American Ireland Fund gala dinner. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * To receive shamrocks from Irish Prime Minister Ahern. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 3/20 To India, Bangladesh for week-long state meetings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Delivered remarks on gun control; * To Baltimore for DNC "soft money" fundraiser at city's only five-star restaurant. 	
1st Lady	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * To speak at Coalition for the Homeless First Step ``Women Mean Business" luncheon in Manhattan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * To march in New York Saint Patrick's Day parade; * To speak at fundraiser hosted by Irish American Democrats. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Discussed education at Central Islip High School in N.Y. 	
VP Gore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * To speak at ACORN education, Amalgamated Transit Union, Consumer Federation of America conferences. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Schedule not available to the public. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Spoke at Pennsylvania AFL-CIO state convention in Philadelphia, held fundraiser, spoke on school safety. 	
Cabinet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Summers to testify before Kolbe subcommittee on Treasury. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Slater to speak on D.C. area transportation crisis at Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 3/22 Cuomo to address NCRC community conference. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Cuomo news conference on HUD, guns. 	
Dems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Gephardt, Kennedy of R.I. news conference on Democrat campaign website; * DeFazio, Miller of Calif., Baird news conference on Alaskan oil. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Tubbs Jones to speak at Consumer Federation of America conference; * Rockefeller to address PHSA conference. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 3/20 Berry, Kaptur to address NACD agricultural conference; * 3/24 Lewis of Ga. to deliver address on civil rights, State Department. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Frost, Stenholm news conference on gas prices; * Conyers news conference on police civil rights treatment. 	